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For: POLE FOR HAND PALLET TRUCK

Examiner: Vinh Luong

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CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE

DE 297 10 503 U1 describes a handle of a pole bar that includes a pivotally mounted control lever as the upper end of the pole bar portion extending into the handle. The lever must be pushed away from the operator to achieve a lowering of the load. Pulling the lever toward the operator will result in a switch to the lifting function.



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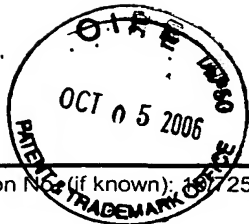
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